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Barbie

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FREE!
A lovely

This lovely bangle has a hidden secret!

with love from Barbie

Dolls

Barbie picture-stories

Barbie picture-postcard

WHAM!

of a BIG pop poster

part one of a BIG pop poster

from you to me...

LETTERS-LETTERS

Dear Barbie,

We were just about to leave for our Spanish holiday, when my little brother asked if we were going to take our portable TV. "Why?" said Mum. "You can watch the Spanish TV." "But I want to watch British programmes," said my brother.

Vicky, Warrington.

Dear Barbie,

One day I went to a chemist. As I came out there was a weighing machine with a sign saying 'OUT OF ORDER' on it. Someone had written on the notice, 'Don't worry, Jim'll fix it!'

Joanne, Hertford.

Dear Barbie,

My Gran has false teeth and she takes them out at night before she goes to bed. One night she put them in a cup, but forgot to put the water in. Next morning, Grandad came in and poured some hot tea straight into the cup. Gran was cross.

Sarah, Bolton.

Hi there,

This is the most exciting day of my life — the first page of the first issue of my first magazine!

I do hope you like your free bangle. Wear it to school and see if your friends guess it is also a pen.

The letters and pics on this page are from members of the *Barbie Friends Club*. You can read more about my club on the back cover. But first I would like to hear from YOU!

So please write and tell me about yourself, your family, your pets, jokes and anything else you think I might find interesting. I would love to hear from you.

Remember—this page is from YOU to ME!
Your special friend,

Barbie

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Busy Barbie

My Barbie doll is always very busy in her office. Why I think she must work just as hard as you do, Barbie.

**Jennifer,
Purley.**



Rachel,

Leeds.

It was very sunny
and I saw a little bunny.
The bunny liked honey.
So it got some money
and bought some honey.
But the honey was runny
and spilt on the bunny.
That was the end of Bunny.
Because he was drowned
in honey!

Car addict

My dog, Bruce, loves riding in our car. Mum or Dad only have to open the car door, and Bruce is there. The only trouble is that Bruce is a big dog and takes up most of the back seat. Ooo, do move over, you hairy dog!

Anne, Okehampton.



Just Joking

What's the difference between an elephant and a flea?

An elephant can have fleas, but fleas can't have elephants!

Ask a friend: "What's the difference between a mouse and a packet of peanuts?"

When your friend says, "I don't know."

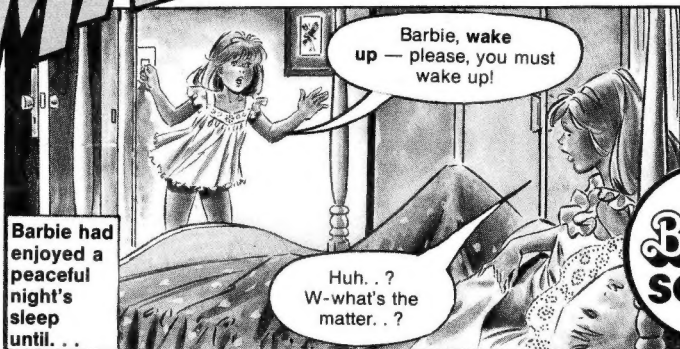
You can say: "Well I wouldn't send you shopping!"



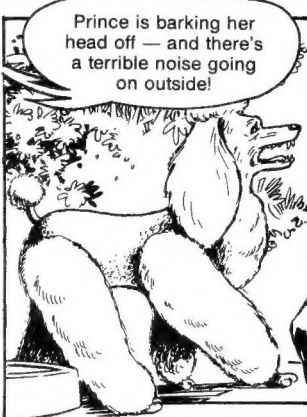
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MYSTERY OF MARSH STABLES

part one



A
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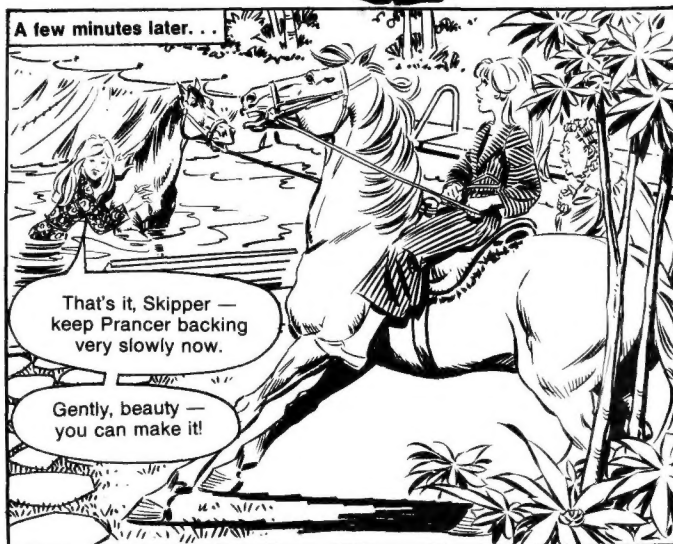
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Barble's house keeper woke up. . .

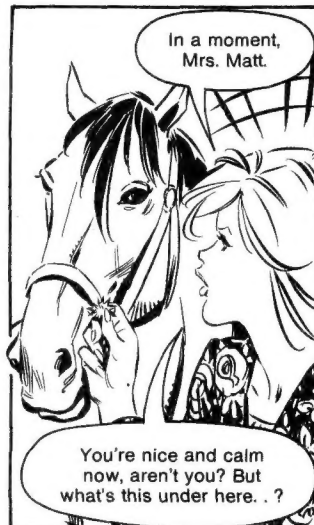
Do you know what time it is? Have you girls taken leave of your senses?

No, Mrs Matt — you'd better follow us. . . quickly. . .

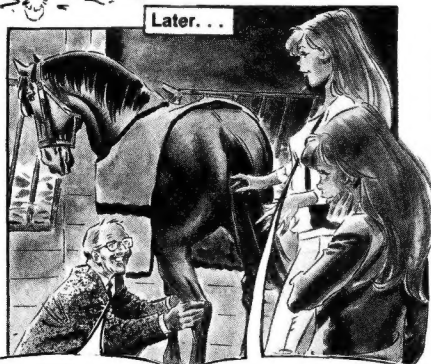


And...

There, all safe and sound again. Thank goodness.



Later...



And...





We'll have to forget that idea now though, and take Lady back to Marsh Stables

I'm sure Lorna will be very grateful. Well, I'll be on my way — and good luck at the Event, my dear.



For any special reason?

Oh, yes Lady didn't just break out and run away. Somebody deliberately tried to hurt her. . .



I found this nasty teasel prickle under her halter — of course, when Lady fell into the water, it went all soft. . .



A little later. . .

Why couldn't this girl Lorna have come and collected her horse, Barbie?

She offered to, Ken — but I want to see Marsh Stables for myself.



But before that, it was no wonder she was going crazy. Any horse would have done!

What sort of person would harm a horse like that?



That's exactly what I intend to find out, Ken!

Well, here's Marsh Stables now — so maybe you'll have your chance.



But Barbie and Ken were being watched. . .

You fool — it didn't work!

It wasn't my fault — it was a thousand to one the rotten nag would end up in Barbie's garden. . .



But no bother, Miss Darnley — there won't be no mistake next time!

I know there won't be, Yerby — we'll use a little plan I've thought of myself. . .!

More trouble at Marsh Stables in the second part of this great Barbie serial!



Barbie's cook book

A Nice Slice of Coconut

Preparation time: 20 minutes

Cooking time: No cooking

Setting time: A few hours

Enough for 10 people

What you need:

250 g icing sugar

200 g tin of condensed milk

150 g desiccated coconut

few drops of cochineal

A mixing bowl

a sieve

a wooden spoon

a tin opener

a plate

a pastry brush

a little cold water in a cup

a knife

What you do:

1. Put the coconut in a mixing bowl. Sift in the icing sugar and add the condensed milk.

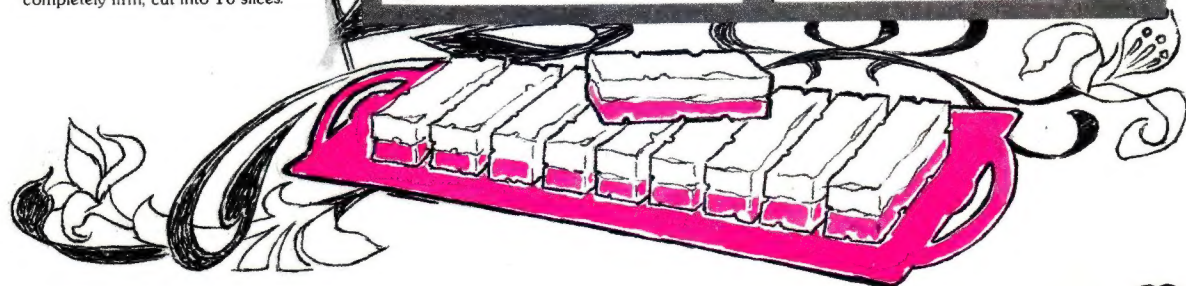
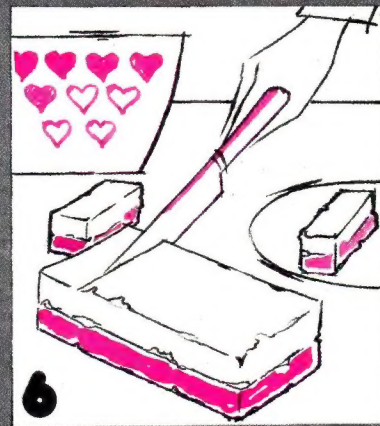
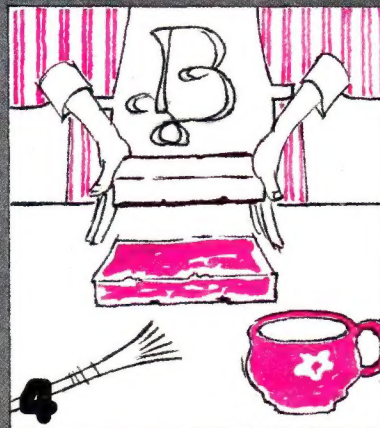
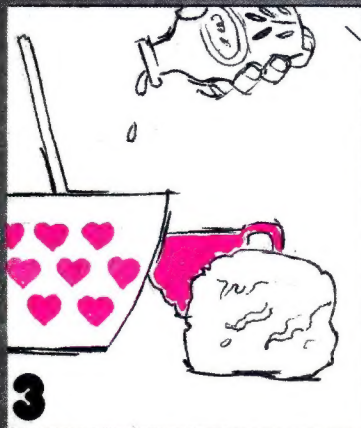
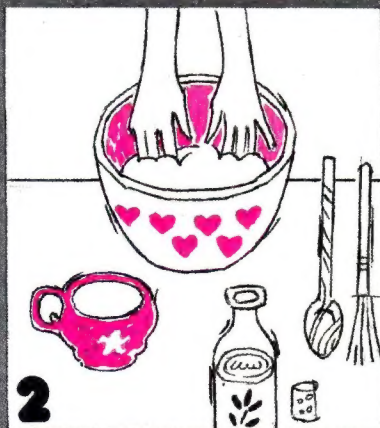
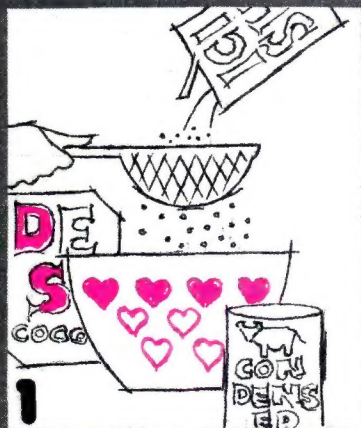
2. Mix together with the wooden spoon, then knead with your hands until the mixture is quite firm.

3. Divide in half. Add a few drops of cochineal to one half and work in by kneading until the colour spreads evenly.

4. Shape each half of the mixture into a bar of the same size. Brush the top of one bar with cold water, then put the other on top.

5. Sandwich the bars together firmly, and put the coconut slice on a plate or serving dish to set.

6. Leave for a few hours to set. When completely firm, cut into 10 slices.



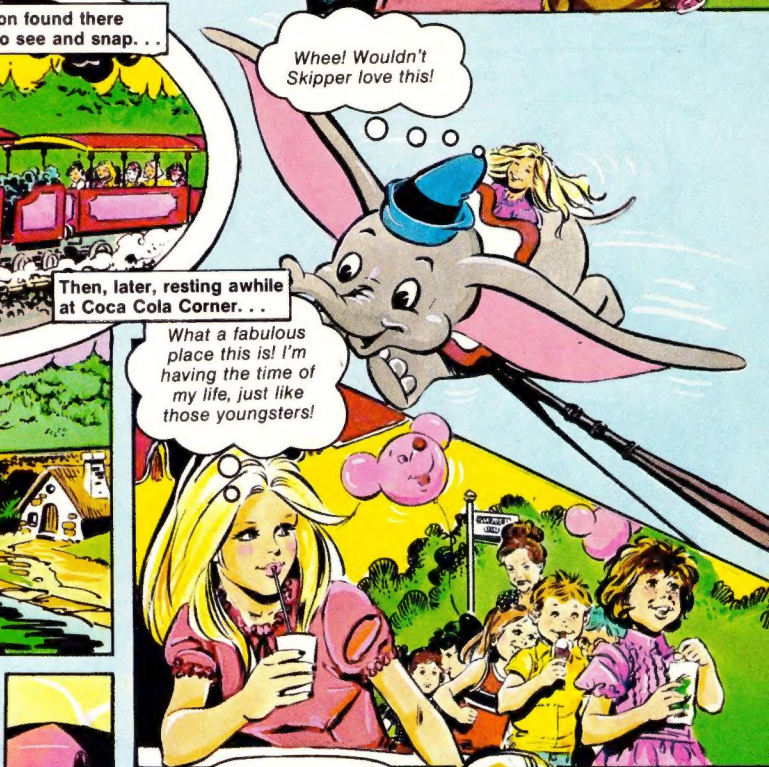
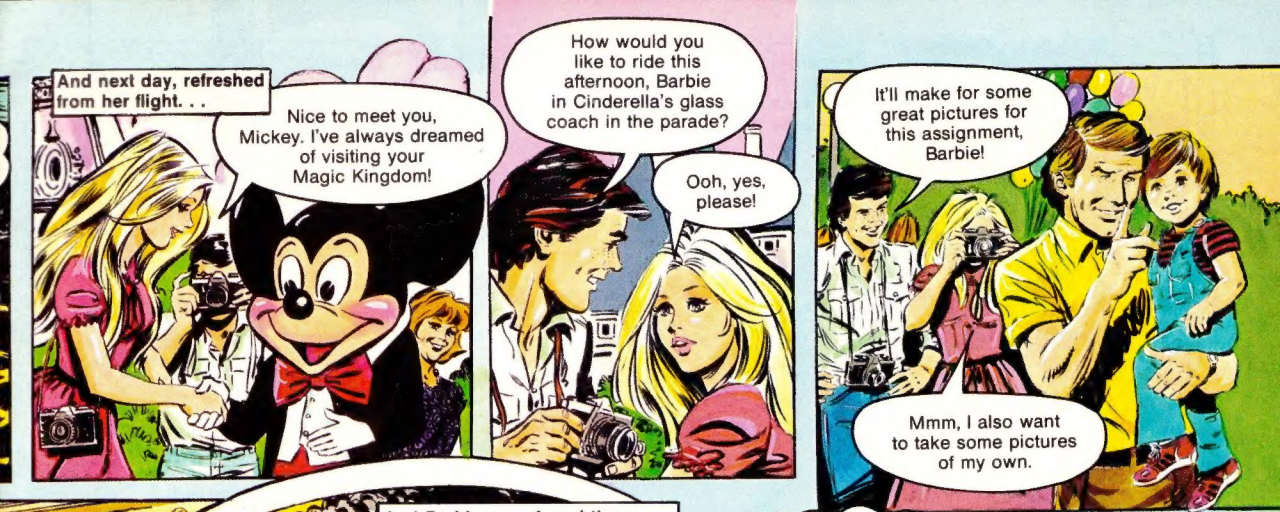


Barbie's modelling assignments take her to many glamorous, faraway places. This week...

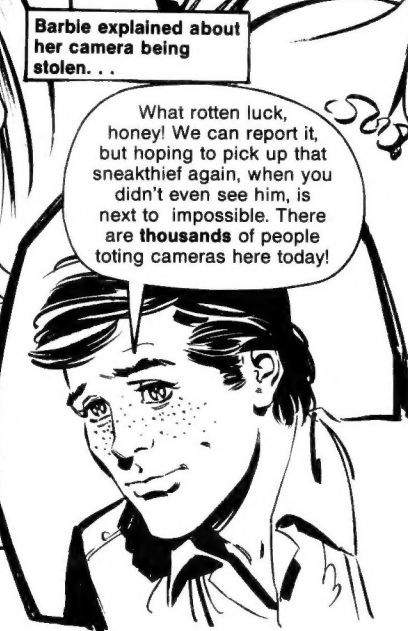


Assignment Disneyland





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Anyway — cheer up.
It's time you went and got changed for
your ride in the Glass Coach,
Cinderella!



Be nice if you
could spot your
camera in the crowd
during the parade,
and we could collar
it back, but I don't
much believe in
miracles, I guess.

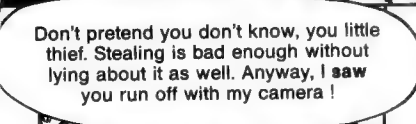
Me,
neither.

But next moment,
Barbie froze in
her tracks. .

Or do
I?



There it is!
That kid has
got it!



Don't pretend you don't know, you little
thief. Stealing is bad enough without
lying about it as well. Anyway, I saw
you run off with my camera!

B—but I didn't
run off with it—
honest. I can't
run. .



That's my camera
give it back now!

Oh! Is. . is it
yours, miss?



... you see, I
have to wear
this!

Oh!

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It was the highlight of the Disneyland visit for both of them. . .



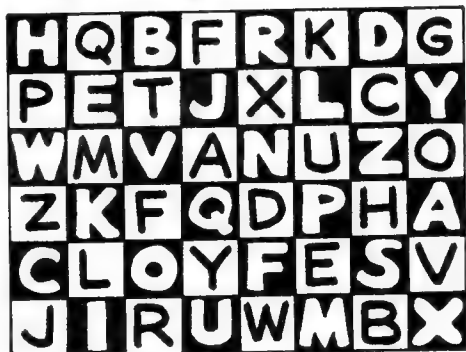
Oh, Barbie, this is terrific! My friends will never believe me when I tell them!



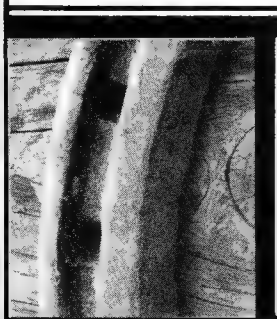
Barbie's next assignment takes her to Paris — and a handsome stranger!

Skipper's Puzzles

1. Find the singer by using the letters that only appear once!

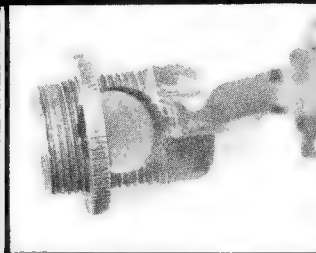


2. How many creatures did the explorer see?



3. Identify these four pics then say which is the odd one out!

4. This jumbled jigsaw shows a famous pop star. Who is he?



5. Where is this man travelling to?

ANSWERS: (1) STING. (2) A bear, snake, snail, jaguar, bird, fox and stork made up the beast. (3) The pics were of a pine cone, cycle, tyre valve, horse-shoe and compass. Pine cone is not made of metal. (4) Howard Jones. (5) LONDON.

Linda through the looking glass

Spooky
Special

Linda was not a very pretty girl, the boys used to make fun of her. Until one day, she met an old lady. . .

Pssst. . . get a load of that. Bit of a sight, eh!

Yeah! Bet she goes round kissing princes and turning them back into frogs. Heh, heh!

That's not fair! I heard all that! Oh. . . why does everyone else seem to be so good-looking except me?

It's no good. Nothing would help. Even if my stepmum could afford to buy me makeup or treat me to a hair-do.

Ignore those stupid boys, dearie. Girls today spend too much time and money painting and powdering themselves. It isn't the answer to everything!

Excuse me, dearie. . .

It's easy enough for you to say that, Misses!





Aye, it's easy for me, right enough! 'Cos I've got the secret, lass. The secret of real beauty. Hee, hee... maybe one day I'll share the magic with you.

What a batty old dear! What can she know about it? And if she has got a secret, why doesn't she use it on herself?

At home, things were strained as usual. Linda just couldn't get on with her stepmother...

What's on the agenda tonight, Linda — going anywhere special?

Don't be funny! Where could I be going? Who'd want to take me?

That old crone was wrong! If I was beautiful I'd have no problems at all! I could go anywhere... do anything!



Next day, on the way home from school, she met the old woman again...

I've decided to share my secret with you... my magic will give you the beauty you've always desired. We'll see if it gives you the happiness you expect it to!

This is no ordinary mirror, dearie. Gaze into it for a full minute first thing in the morning and last thing at night, and the magic will do the rest.

I'll take it anyway. It's got a fancy frame and I need a mirror for my room. But imagine just giving it away!

But take good care of it, girl. Don't let any harm befall it, I warn you...



Hold on, dearie, I've been waiting for you.

What on earth for?

She's totally flipped! A magic mirror, hah!

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George Michael Panos

Age: 23.

Height: 6'.

Colour of eyes: Brown.

Birth sign: Cancer.

Favourite band: Hasn't got one, although he likes all soul music.

Hit records: Wham! Rap, Young Guns, Bad Boys, Freedom, Wake Me Up Before You Go Go, Club Tropicana, Careless Whisper.

Likes: Going out to eat.

Dislikes: Andrew's driving!

Andrew Ridgeley

Age: 23.

Height: 6'.

Colour of eyes: Brown.

Birth sign: Aquarius.

Favourite band: Impossible to decide.

Hit records: The same as George, except for Careless Whisper which he had nothing to do with.

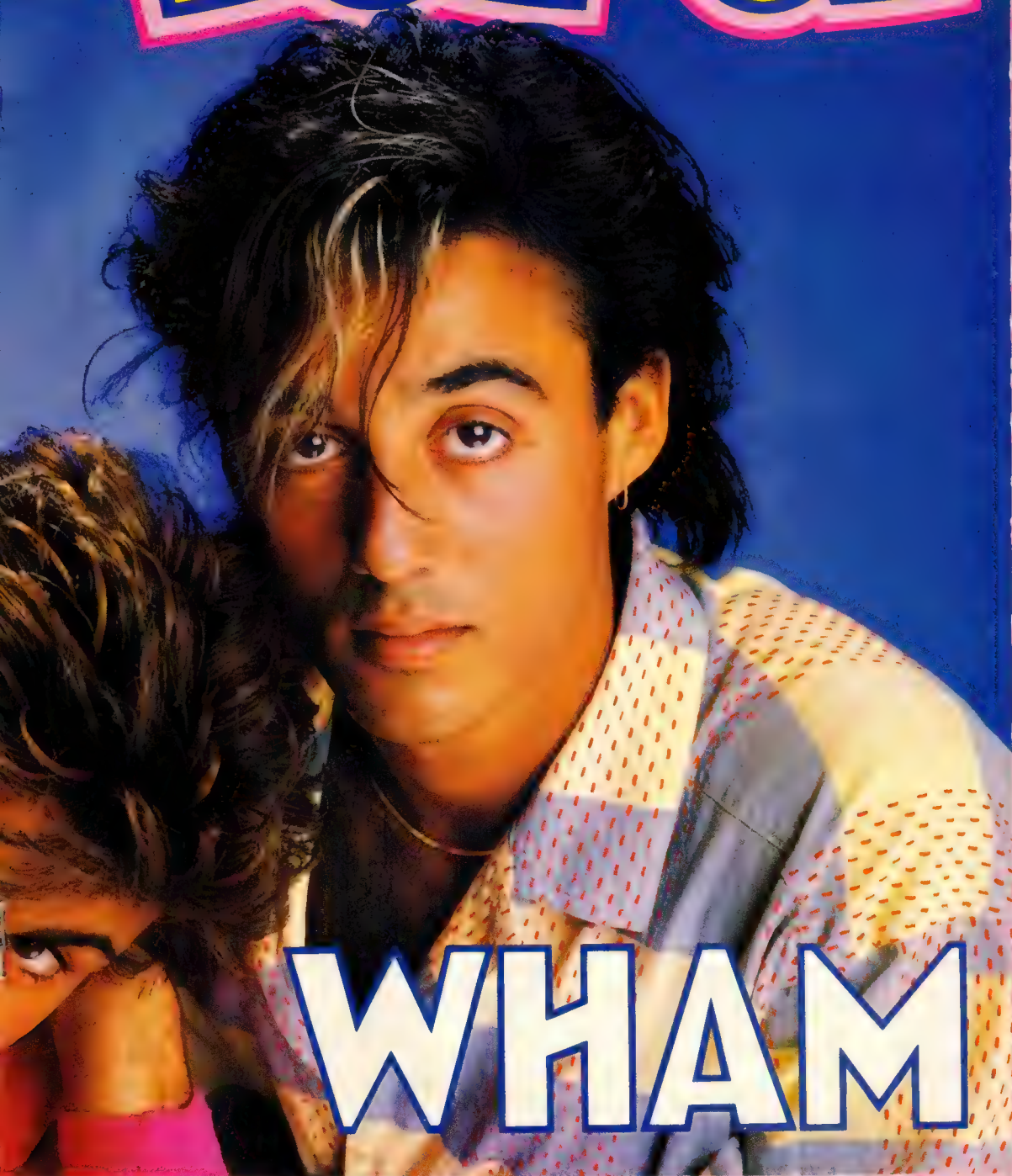
Likes: Holidays in the sun and motor racing.

Dislikes: Small minded people.



Nik Kershaw, part three of your

TOP of



WHAM

Spandau Ballet, part two of the pops poster, goes here.

Top of the pops poster, goes here.

Of course the mirror couldn't be magic. But hoping does no harm. . .

But perhaps not. For, next morning. . .

M-My skin! It's improved so much, just overnight! It can't have been the mirror, can it? Surely that story isn't true. . . ?

It was true, all right. And that was just the beginning. Linda followed her ritual every day. A minute with the mirror in the morning, and a minute at night. . .

. . . for a full minute, she said, just before I went to bed. The old horror is probably pulling my leg!

The changes came slowly. But they came. . . smoother skin, brighter eyes, a dazzling smile. . .

Beautiful! I'm beautiful!

But they weren't the only changes. . .

It's incredible the way Linda's blossomed in just a few months. . . she's really lovely now.

She was always a bit difficult to get on with, but now she's really snobbish and horrible. She's rude to everyone!

Yeah. But she still doesn't have any friends. She's changed in too many other ways, too.

You're just jealous because I'm so beautiful and you're so ugly! Well hard lines! Why don't you wear a paper bag over your head or something!

And the girls weren't the only ones who noticed. . .

You're always at that mirror these days! You think too much of yourself, Linda, you'll lose any friends you have left if you —

Oh, shut up!

SLAM!

Oh, no! Th-the mirror's falling!



But what can it matter?
I'll find that old crone, she
can make me another one.
And even if she can't, I
know I'm beautiful
enough already.

But as she slept, the old woman's
final words came back to Linda. . .

Take good care of it,
girl. . .no harm befall
it. . .I warn you. . .

That silly, ugly fool!
She broke my mirror!
I could kill her
for that!

And next morning. . .

Y-Yawn. . .Oh what a
nuisance. I'll have to use the
bathroom mirror to get ready
this morning. . .

But Linda might not want to use the
mirror today. . .she may never use a
mirror again. . .

Aaaargh!

Wh-what's wrong? What
are you screaming at?
tell me?

After all, would you want to face
yourself every morning, like this. . .

Oh no! Oh no-oo-oooh!

the end

Every time they walked through the park, Barbie and Skipper saw a kind old lady feeding the birds. They called her...

A
Barbie
serial

THE BIRD LADY

part
one



Whatever the weather, she always had a cheery word for the two girls...

Morning, my dears!

Morning, Bird Lady!

Isn't it a bit cold for you to be out?

I've got to come — my feathered friends are just like family.

I'm worried about that old lady, Barbie. I don't think she's got anyone—except those birds.

Maybe she just prefers birds.



When they found the right ward...

Where's the Bird Lady?

Who? Who's the Bird Lady?

You mean Mrs. Drury.

She was taken ill in the park yesterday!

It's O.K. I can see her!

Look, Barbie, aren't you glad we came? Everyone's got visitors except our Bird Lady!

Of course I am! I'm pleased you were so thoughtful...

She was overjoyed to see them...

Oh, my dears! How lovely of you to come!

How are you?

Not so bad, dear. Mustn't grumble.

Oh, please don't cry!

Shall I ring for a nurse?

We've bought you some flowers.

No, no, I'll be all right. It's just that... you see... once, a long time ago, I had a little girl like you.

Like me? But what... happened to her?



Can Skipper and Barbie help the Bird Lady find her daughter? More in the next issue!

MIRROR... MIRROR...

On the wall, who is the
fairest of them all? Take a
tip from the wicked queen in
Snow White and make the
most of your mirror!



We're not suggesting, for a moment, that you spend most of your free time staring at yourself in a mirror, but mirrors do play a pretty important part in helping you to look good!

THE RIGHT LIGHT!

Always, always make sure your mirror is in a good light near a window. You can see exactly what you're doing then! If you make-up in a bad light, the chances are you'll put on too much eye-shadow or blusher just because you haven't been able to see properly!

When it comes to plucking eyebrows, use a hand mirror and stand by a window. The early morning light is best for a clear view of your brows.

Full length mirrors are vital and we expect your home's got one! Otherwise,

it's impossible to check that shoes match your outfit or a skirt and top look good together!

Check that no slips are peeping underneath your skirt just before you go out. That looks so untidy!

BACK UP!

Also, it's important to use a mirror to see how clothes do look from the back.

A pair of jeans may look good from the front, but the back — ugh! Turn yourself round and, looking into a hand mirror, you'll get a good idea of your back view.

Use this method to make sure you've got no unsightly 'lines' from a slip that's ridden up, or a pair of knickers that are so tight they make you bulge in all the wrong places.

This is a very easy toy to make! Your kid sister or brother will love one — so you'd better make an extra one to stop them grabbing yours!

MAKE IT UP!

Jump To It!

Join the springs from two hair rollers together with thin wire. Cover them with material, stitching neatly to the top of the roller.

Paint a face on a piece of card, sticking on wool for the hair. Glue this in place on the rollers.

SURPRISE!

Glue the bottom of the spring to the bottom of a box just slightly larger than the spring. Close the box with an elastic band.

Now you can surprise friends when they take off the band!



Help to save wildlife



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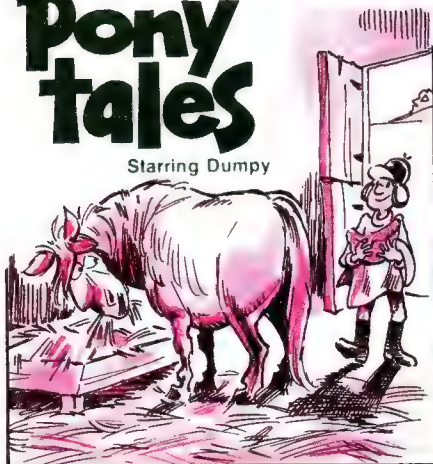


You can see from the picture above just how much wildlife exists in gardens and in the country. The World Wildlife Fund not only helps and protects animals such as the giant panda, the tiger and the Polar bear, they are busy in Britain too, buying land such as oak and beech woods containing rare birds, plants and butterflies. Now you can help wildlife, too. Cadbury has brought out a Wildlife chocolate bar and a donation to the World Wildlife Fund is made automatically each time a bar is bought. The six animals on the wrappers are the giant panda, the Asian elephant, the lechwe (African antelope), the Dominican imperial parrot, the African cheetah and the jackass penguin from the South African coast. There is also a *Cadbury's Wildlife Project Book*. It has sixteen pages full of fun things to do and read about wildlife. To obtain a copy, just collect ten wrappers from *Cadbury's Wildlife Bars* and post them, with an 18p stamp, to Cadbury's Wildlife Project Book Offer, PO Box 90, Altrincham, Cheshire WA14 5SZ.



Pony tales

Starring Dumpy



"My name is Dumpy and this is my owner, Suzy. By the look of it, she wants to go riding.



Yes. I'm right. Just my luck! Hey, be careful with that girth. I've just eaten!



Oh no! After all that grub she wants me to go and jump jumps!



Oh well, I might as well have a go. The jumps don't seem **too** high.



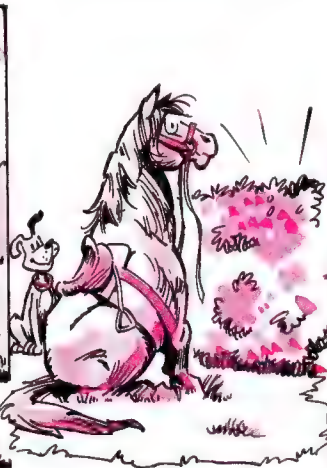
Eh? Now she wants to jump something bigger! I hope it's not too big.



Goodness me! A hedge. Suzy wants to jump a great big hedge! This is too much!



No WAY. I'm NOT jumping THAT! It's time to put the brakes on!



Hey! Where's Suzy gone? She was sitting on my back a moment ago.



Ah. There she is! It's O.K. She is having a nice ride on Clara - a nice fast ride!"

Rusty, Come Home!

Debbie and her family had moved into a house in a new area three weeks ago. . .

Why don't you go out, Debbie?
It's a lovely afternoon.

I haven't got to
know anyone yet,
Mum. It's no fun
being on my own.

I suppose I
could take
Rusty to the
park. Come
on, boy.

If you didn't
spend so much time
with that dog, you
might make some
new friends!

If it wasn't for
you, Rusty, I'd
have no one.

Off you go, lad —
and no fighting!

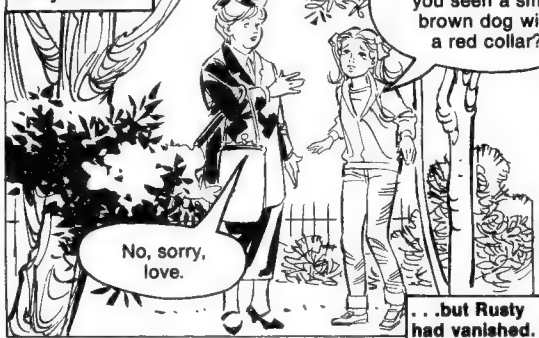
Mum's right, I
ought to make some
friends. I just wish I
knew how to. Everyone
at school's got their
own friends.

Then, when Debbie looked
up, Rusty was nowhere to
be seen.

Rusty! Rusty!
Here, boy!

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She searched everywhere...



No, sorry, love.

Excuse me, have you seen a small brown dog with a red collar?

...but Rusty had vanished.

I looked all over the park, Mum, but there was no sign of him. What am I going to do?

Calm down, dear, he'll turn up. He'll probably be on the doorstep in the morning.



But it's not like him to run off like that. He could be in trouble.

I'm sure he's all right, Debs.



Oh, please come home, Rusty - you're the only friend I've got in the world!



Next morning...

He's not here, Mum!



I've been thinking, love, perhaps you ought to put up some signs in the park... you know, offering a reward for Rusty's return.

So...

Do you really think this will do the trick, mum?



Yes, of course, I do.

But nobody called...



The phone must ring soon!





A cat without a home, with no one to love her, in Skipper's next Animal Adventure!

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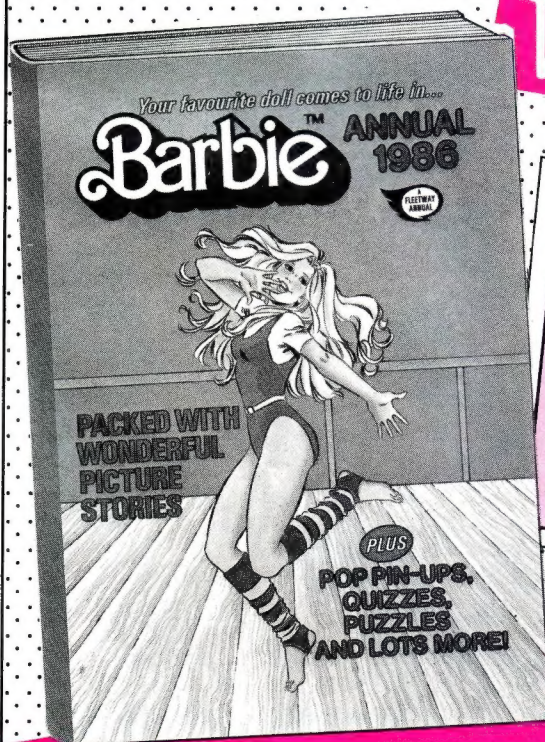
Barbie

The second part of
Barbie's Top of the pops
poster – Spandau Ballet

Lots of exciting picture
stories, puzzles, letters
and things to do.



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